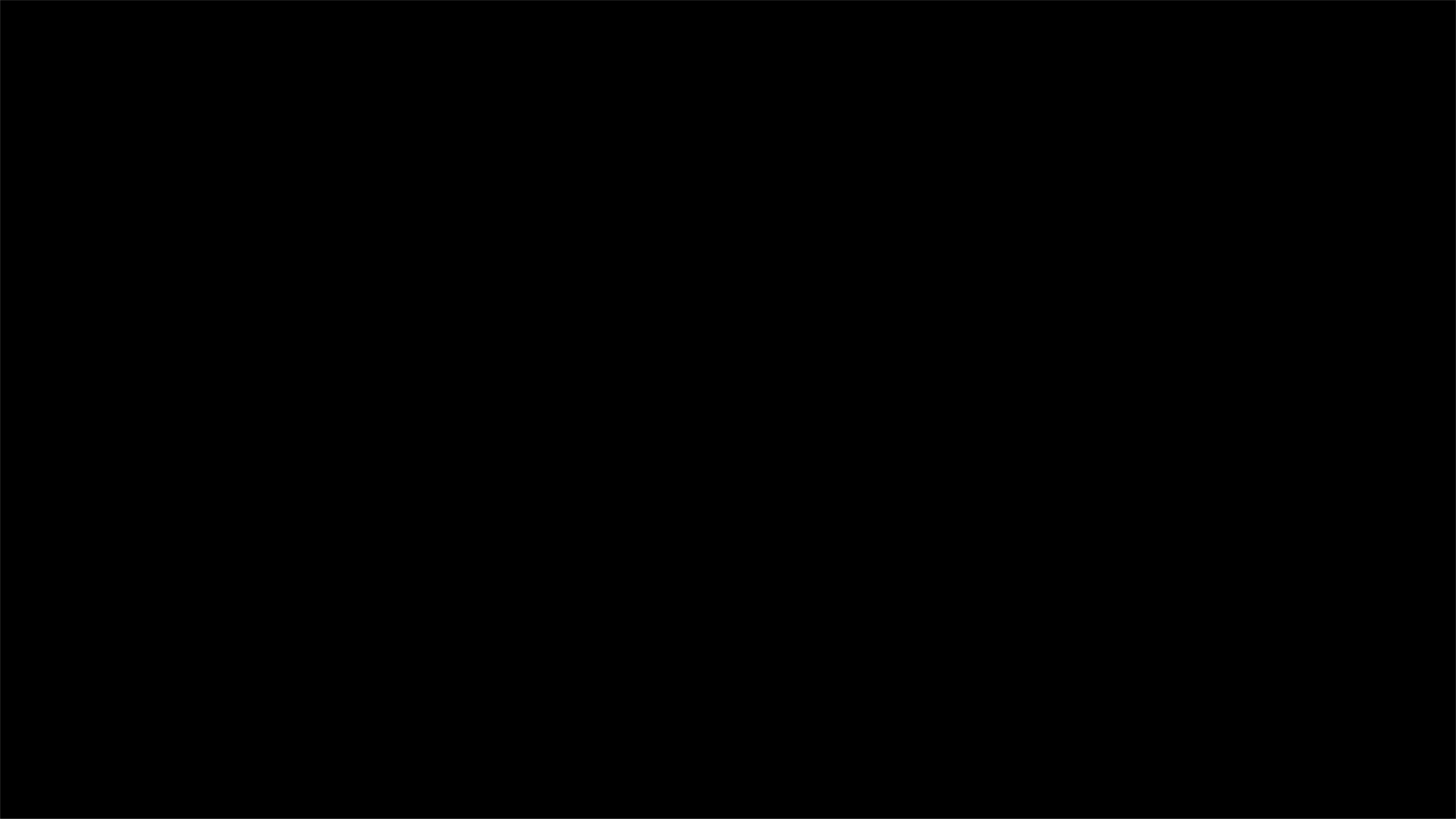




Budget Messaging

Washington doesn't have a taxing problem, it has a spending problem.

How to effectively promote and defend the House
Republican Budget



Win The Battle At 30,000 Feet -- Not In The Trenches



Humanize the Debate



“I have never felt so embarrassed and ashamed about anything I have done in my life as I do about leaving this mess in the laps of Tyler and Kaytlin, my precious grandkids. I have written both of them a heartfelt apology for them to read when they get old enough to understand what I allowed our country’s governing authority to do to them.”

*Rich
Winnsboro, Texas*

Humanize the Debate



“I could not hire more employees or expand my business, and I would definitely have to close up shop. As a small business owner, I am very afraid of my future.”

*Dianne
Kaufman, Texas*

Play



Not



Playing Offense: Medicare

- The President's budget ends Medicare as we know it by raiding over \$500 billion from Medicare and ensuring it's bankruptcy.
- The President's budget empowers an unaccountable board of 15 bureaucrats to cut Medicare in ways that result in restricted access and denied care for current seniors.

Playing Offense: Deficits

- The President's budget contains four straight trillion-dollar deficits;
- Breaks promise to cut deficit in half by end of first term;
- The president's budget never balances

Playing Offense: National Security

- The President's budget slashes defense spending by nearly \$500 billion;
- Threatens additional cuts by refusing to specify plan of action to address the sequester;
- Forces troops and military families to pay the price for Washington's refusal to address drivers of debt.

Playing Offense: Taxes

- The President's budget imposes a \$1.9 trillion tax increase;
- Adds new complexity and new hurdles for hardworking taxpayers;
- Makes it more difficult to expand economic opportunity and jobs.

The President's Budget - Deficits

“Today I’m pledging to cut the deficit we inherited in half by the end of my first term in office.”

*President Barack Obama,
February 23, 2009*

The President's Budget - Debt

- Since President Obama took office, the national debt has increased by \$5 trillion or almost 50 percent in just three years.
- President Obama has increased the deficit by 190 percent, presided over the three largest deficits in history, and piled up more debt than every president from George Washington to Bill Clinton combined.

The President's Budget - Spending

**“We’ve got to spend some money
now to pull us out of this
recession.”**

*President Barack Obama,
February 12, 2009*

The President's Budget - Spending

Over ten years, the president's budget would increase the size of the federal government by 53 percent.

The President's Budget - Spending

The budget would spend \$3.803 trillion in 2013 or 24.3 percent of GDP. This would be the second highest amount of government spending in history.

Ten Year Agency Growth Rates

(Dollar Figures in Millions)

Agency	2002 Funding	2012 Funding	Dollar Growth	Percentage Growth
Department of Agriculture	\$68,622	\$150,680	\$82,058	120%
Department of Education	\$46,373	\$98,467	\$52,094	112%
Department of Housing and Urban Development	\$31,788	\$56,788	\$25,000	79%
Department of Labor	\$64,686	\$127,157	\$62,471	97%
Department of Energy	\$17,669	\$38,998	\$21,329	121%
Department of Transportation	\$56,252	84,135	\$27,883	50%
Department of Health and Human Services	\$465,326	\$871,836	\$406,510	87%

Source: Office of Management and Budget

The President's Budget - Deficits

Despite the president's promise to cut the deficit in half in four years, the deficit has grown by 190 percent.

The President's Budget - Deficits

- 2012 will mark the fourth consecutive year under President Obama with a deficit of more than \$1 trillion.
- Before President Obama took office, the highest deficit ever was \$458 billion.

The President's Budget - Deficits

Under this budget, President Obama will have been responsible for the five highest deficits of all time:

\$1.413 trillion in 2009.

\$1.294 trillion in 2010.

\$1.299 trillion in 2011.

\$1.327 trillion in 2012.

\$901 billion in 2013.

Taxes—The President's Budget Punishes Job Creators and Protects His Political Allies

- The President's budget contains the largest tax increase in U.S. history by imposing \$1.9 trillion in tax increases on American families and job creators at the worst possible time.
- The President's budget protects tax subsidies and special interest carve outs for companies like Solyndra.

Taxes—The President's Budget Punishes Job Creators and Protects His Political Allies

- The President's budget would increase the top two income tax brackets from 33 percent to 36 percent and from 35 percent to 39.6 percent. The effects of marginal tax-rate increases would impose economic harm on all Americans.
- Small businesses are responsible for almost two thirds of the jobs created in the United States in the past 15 years, and almost 50 percent of small-business profits are taxed at the top two rates.

Taxes—The President's Budget Punishes Job Creators and Protects His Political Allies

- The Republican budget creates 2 low individual tax rates to promote growth and it rolls back all the special interest carve outs and subsidies in order to make the tax code simpler, flatter, fairer and more globally competitive.
- True pro-growth tax reform doesn't let Washington choose winners or losers and it does not impose the largest tax increase on small businesses in American history.

The President's Budget Has Been Panned By Editorial Boards Across The Country

The Washington Post

“...Mr. Obama’s proposed budget for fiscal year 2013 falls short. At the end of the 10-year budget window, he would have the national debt at a disturbing 76.5 percent of gross domestic product... The final budget of his first term does not reflect the leadership on issues of debt and deficit that Mr. Obama once vowed.”

Los Angeles Times

“...it's past time for the administration to lay out a credible plan for bringing the deficit and debt under control. **Sadly, Obama's budget proposal shows that he'd rather wait until after the election to have that reckoning.**”



“Obama’s budget plan leaves debt bomb ticking... The best test of a budget proposal these days is whether it reins in the national debt... The election-year budget President Obama sent to Congress on Monday fails that test.”



“President Barack Obama has apparently decided that he is not going to be part of the solution to the nation’s enormous deficit — which would make him, yes, part of the problem.”

**House Republicans have a
Plan for America's Job
Creators.**

The Republican Budget: Job Creation, Economic Certainty, and Growth

The Republicans Budget:

- Promotes job creation and certainty by preventing the President's tax increases
- Caps taxes for individuals and job creators and makes the tax code fairer, flatter, and simpler
- Removes new job-destroying regulations
- Repeals the government takeover of health care
- Stops spending money we don't have
- Puts the budget on a path to balance
- Preserves Medicare for future generations

The Republican Budget: Job Creation, Economic Certainty, and Growth

	The House GOP Budget	The President's Budget
Spending	Cuts spending by \$5 trillion relative to President's budget	Net \$1.5 trillion increase relative to current policy

The Republican Budget: Job Creation, Economic Certainty, and Growth

	The House GOP Budget	The President's Budget
Taxes	Prevents President's tax increases; Reforms broken tax code to make it simple, fair, and competitive; clears out special interest loopholes and lowers everybody's tax rates to promote growth	Imposes a \$1.9 trillion tax increase; Adds new complexity and new hurdles for hardworking taxpayers, making it more difficult to expand opportunity

The Republican Budget: Job Creation, Economic Certainty, and Growth

	The House GOP Budget	The President's Budget
Deficits	Brings deficits below 3 percent of GDP by 2015; Reduces deficits by over \$3 trillion relative to President's budget; Puts budget on path to balance	Four straight trillion-dollar deficits; Breaks promise to cut deficit in half by end of first term; Budget never balances

The Republican Budget: Job Creation, Economic Certainty, and Growth

	The House GOP Budget	The President's Budget
Debt	Reduces debt as a share of the economy over the next decade; Charts a sustainable trajectory by reforming the drivers of the debt; Pays off the debt over time	Adds \$11 trillion to the debt – increasing debt as a share of the economy – over the next decade; Imposes \$200,000 debt burden per household; Debt skyrockets in the years ahead

The Republican Budget: Job Creation, Economic Certainty, and Growth

	The House GOP Budget	The President's Budget
Size of Gov't	Brings size of government to 20 percent of economy by 2015, allowing the private sector to grow and create jobs	Size of government never falls below 23 percent of the economy, making it more difficult to expand opportunity

The Republican Budget: Job Creation, Economic Certainty, and Growth

	The House GOP Budget	The President's Budget
National Security	Prioritizes national security by preventing deep, indiscriminate cuts to defense; Identifies strategy-driven savings, while funding defense at levels that keep America safe by providing \$554 billion for the next fiscal year for national defense spending	Slashes defense spending by nearly \$500 billion; Threatens additional cuts by refusing to specify plan of action to address the sequester; Forces troops and military families to pay the price for Washington's refusal to address drivers of debt

The Republican Budget: Job Creation, Economic Certainty, and Growth

	The House GOP Budget	The President's Budget
Health Security	Repeals President's health care law; Advances bipartisan solutions that take power away from government bureaucrats and put patients in control; No disruption for those in or near retirement; Ensures a strengthened Medicare program for future generations, with less support given to the wealthy and more assistance for the poor and the sick	Doubles down on health care law, allowing government bureaucrats to interfere with patient care; Empowers an unaccountable board of 15 unelected bureaucrats to cut Medicare in ways that result in restricted access and denied care for current seniors, and a bankrupt future for the next generation

Sound Bites

We can't keep spending money we don't have on jobs we never get.

Sound Bites

Our nation faces a debt crisis because we spend too much, not because we tax too little.

Sound Bites

Families all across America have had to tighten their belts over the past three years; it's time for Washington to do the same.

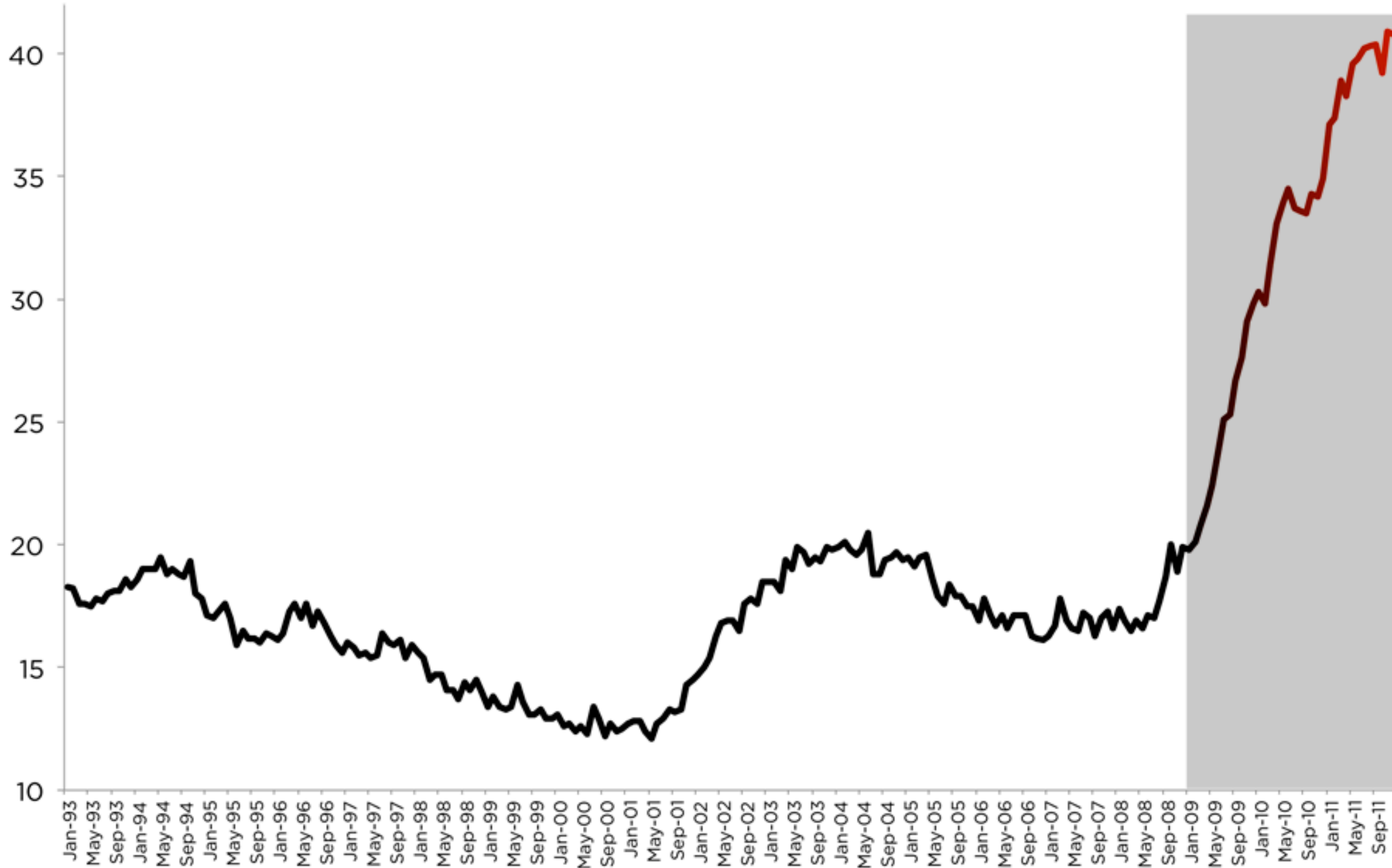
Sound Bites

We have to stop borrowing nearly 40 cents of every dollar we spend from countries like China.

UNEMPLOYMENT IN THE OBAMA ECONOMY

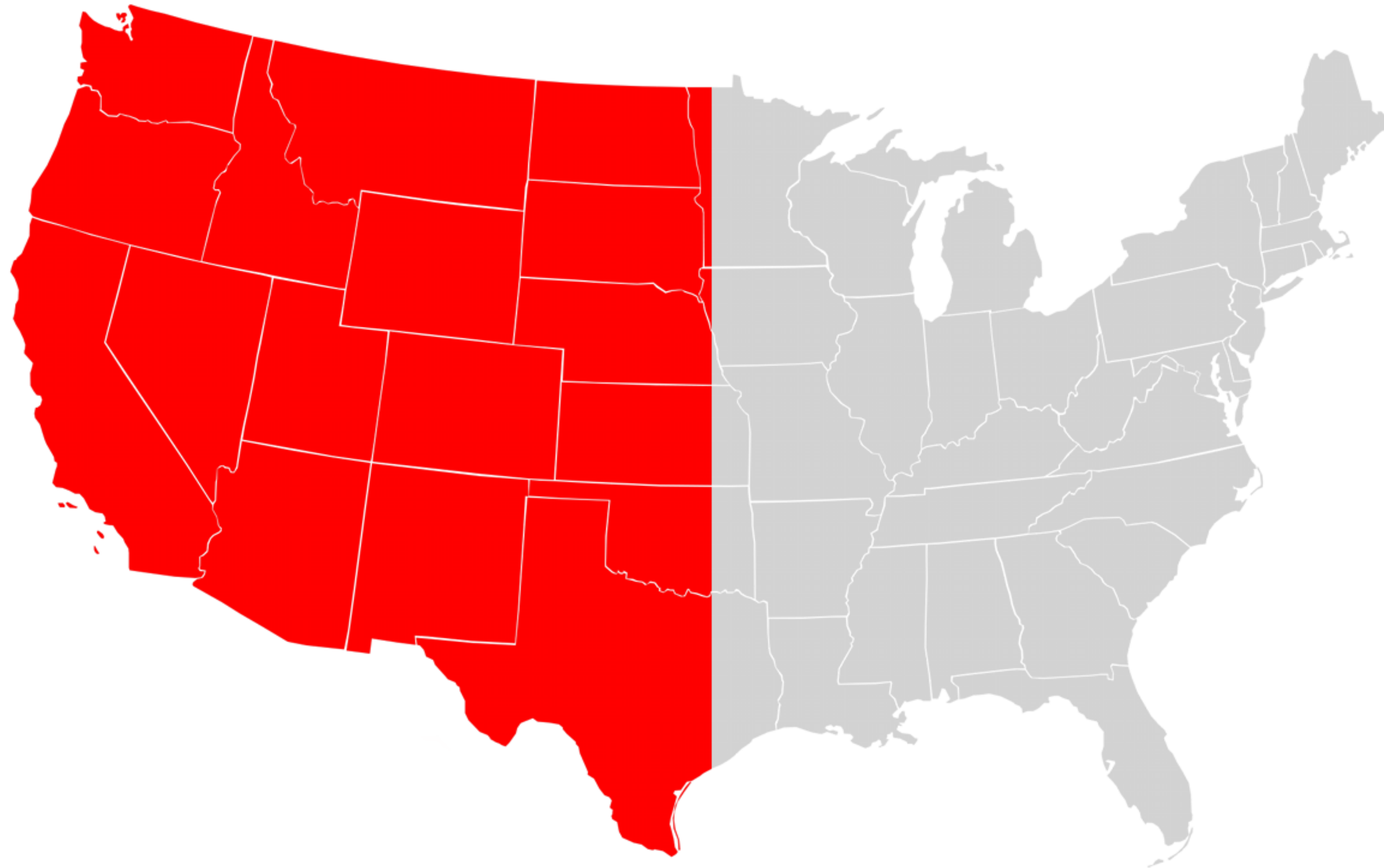
THE AVERAGE LENGTH OF UNEMPLOYMENT IS UP 86% UNDER OBAMA

AVERAGE WEEKS UNEMPLOYED



THE PRESIDENT'S POLICIES HAVE FAILED

48 PERCENT OF ALL AMERICANS
ARE NOW CLASSIFIED AS
POOR OR LOW-INCOME.



The president's policies have failed and are making the economy worse.

“The seeds of the next recession have already been planted. The debt burden accumulated over the next ten years will sink us.”

Honeywell

Dave Cote

Chairman & CEO, Honeywell

122,000 employees

The president's policies have failed and are making the economy worse.

“If we don't lower spending and if we don't deal with paying down the debt, we are going to have to raise taxes. Even brain-dead economists understand that when you raise taxes, you cost jobs.”



Bernie Marcus

Former Chairman & CEO

Home Depot (255,185 employees)

July 20, 2011

The president's policies have failed and are making the economy worse.

“The key to me is that businesses have to have the confidence that we’re on the right path, we’re on the right path on taxes, on spending and on deficits and debts so they have the confidence to take the money they have on the balance sheets and invest it here in jobs in America.”



Bob Diamond
President, Barclays

Medicare—The President's Budget Lets Medicare For Seniors Go Bankrupt

The President Knows That Medicare Is Unsustainable

“The major driver of our long-term liabilities, everybody here knows, is Medicare and Medicaid and our health care spending.

“Nothing comes close.”

President Barack Obama

Speaking at House Republican Retreat in Baltimore, MD

January 29, 2010



The Government Takeover of Health Care Changed 'Medicare As We Know It'

1. GLOBAL FEE CAP

- For the first time in history, strict controls are imposed on both the amount and volume of Medicare payments, which will result in seniors having **less access to doctors**.

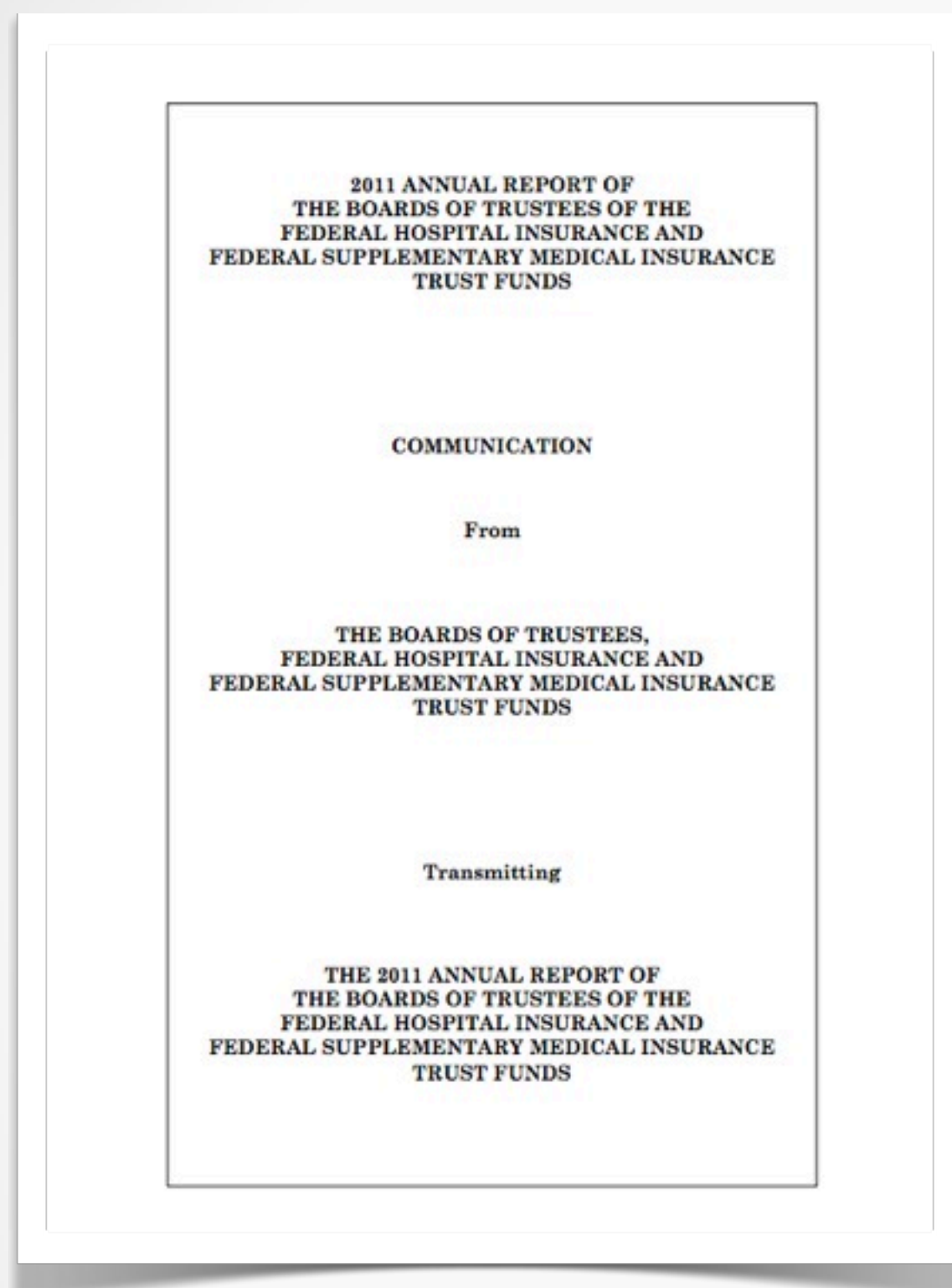
2. IPAB

- A hard cap is imposed on Medicare spending, and a 15-member board of unelected bureaucrats is in charge of **rationing care** to meet the caps.

3. \$500 BILLION RAID ON MEDICARE

- The health care takeover **raided \$500 billion** from Medicare to fund a new entitlement - instead of shoring up Medicare's own solvency.

Medicare—The President's Budget Lets Medicare For Seniors Go Bankrupt



WHAT HAPPENS WHEN MEDICARE'S TRUST FUND GOES INSOLVENT?

“Beneficiary access to health care services would rapidly be curtailed.”

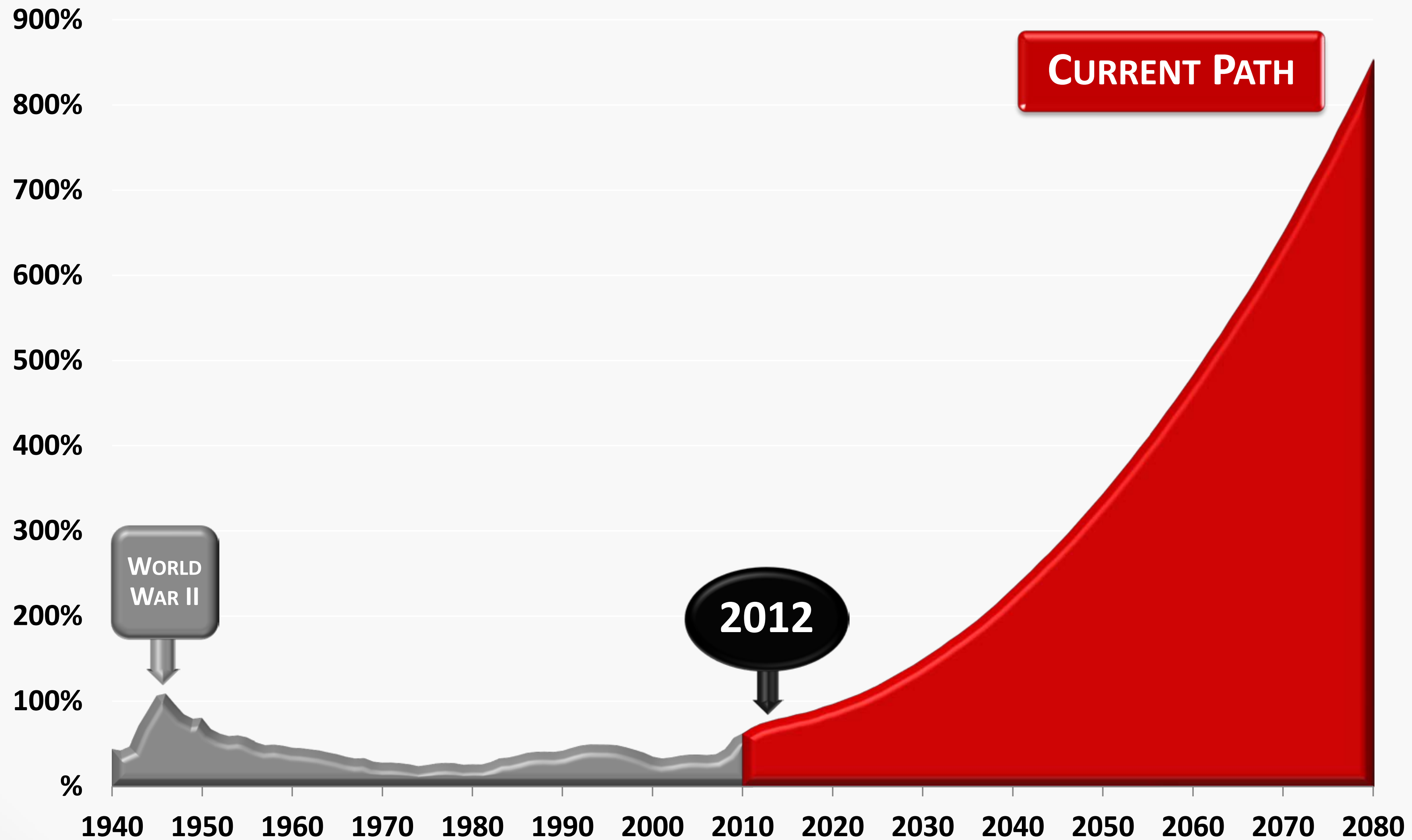
Medicare Trustees' 2011 Report

be made only from ongoing tax revenues, which would not be sufficient to cover total costs. Beneficiary access to health care services would rapidly be curtailed.

FIGURE 1

CRUSHING BURDEN OF DEBT

(U.S. DEBT HELD BY PUBLIC AS A SHARE OF ECONOMY)

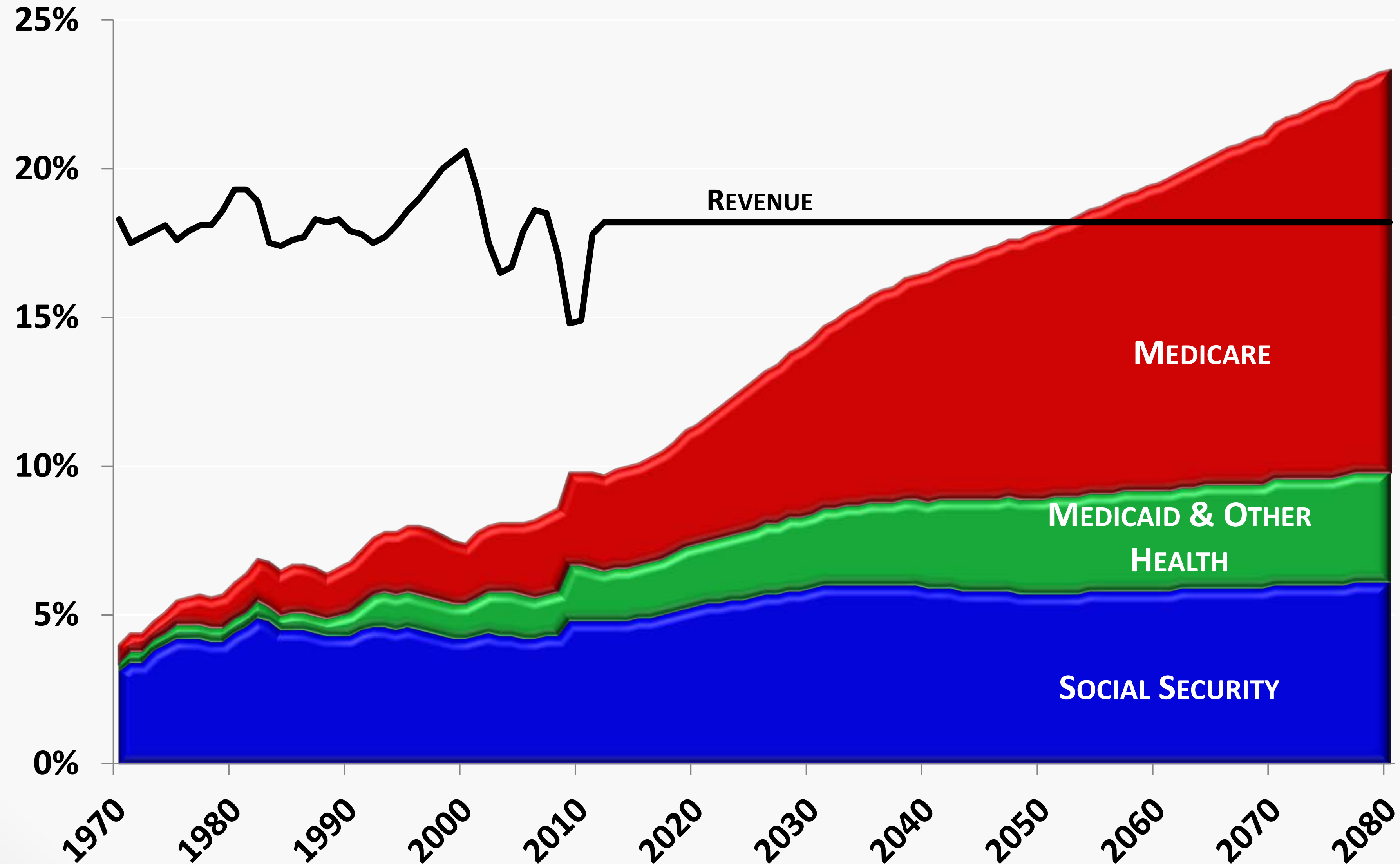


SOURCE: OMB/CBO

FIGURE 2

WHAT DRIVES OUR DEBT?

(GOVERNMENT SPENDING AS A SHARE OF ECONOMY)

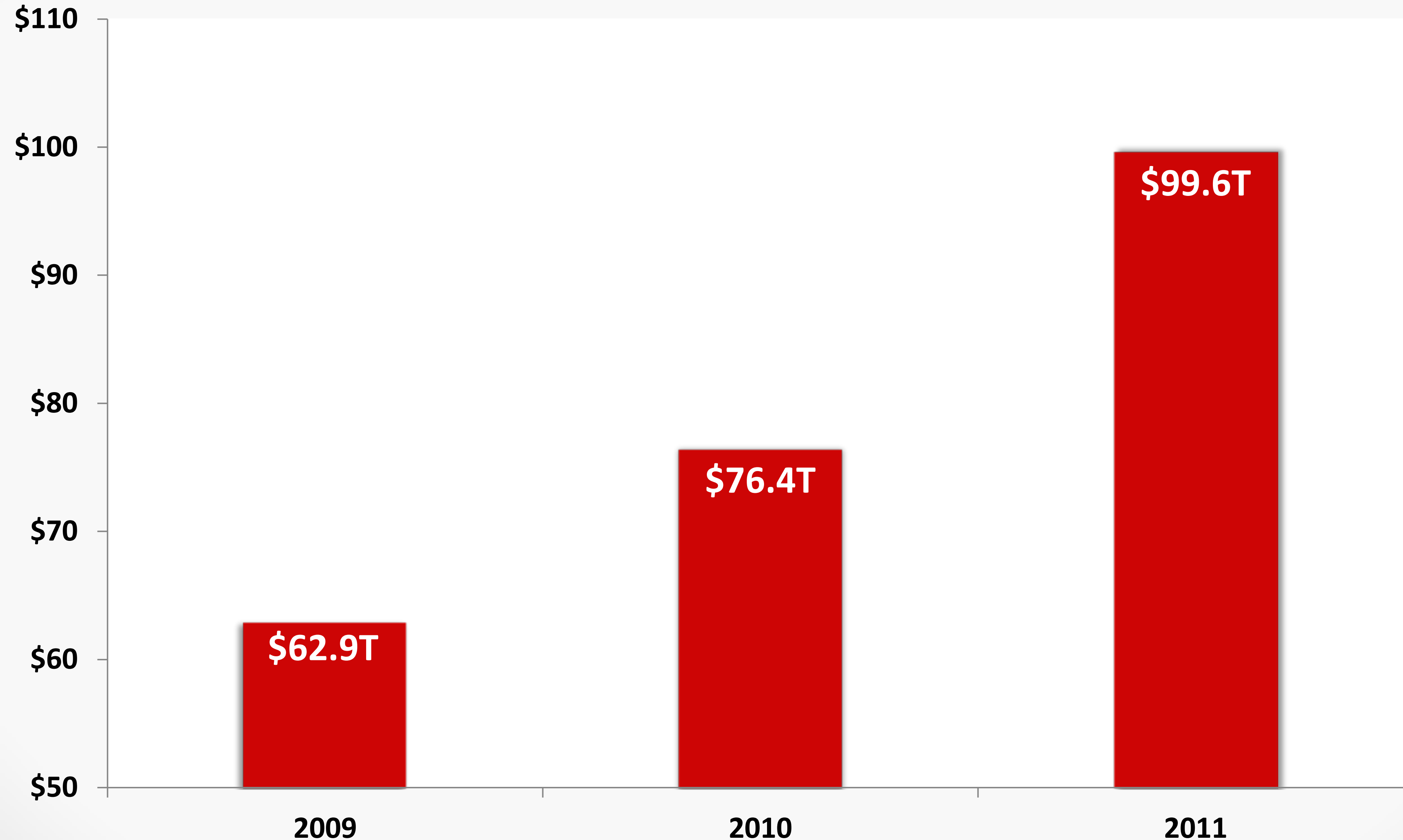


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FIGURE 3

THE COST OF WAITING – THE FISCAL GAP

(UNFUNDED PROMISES IN TRILLIONS OF DOLLARS)

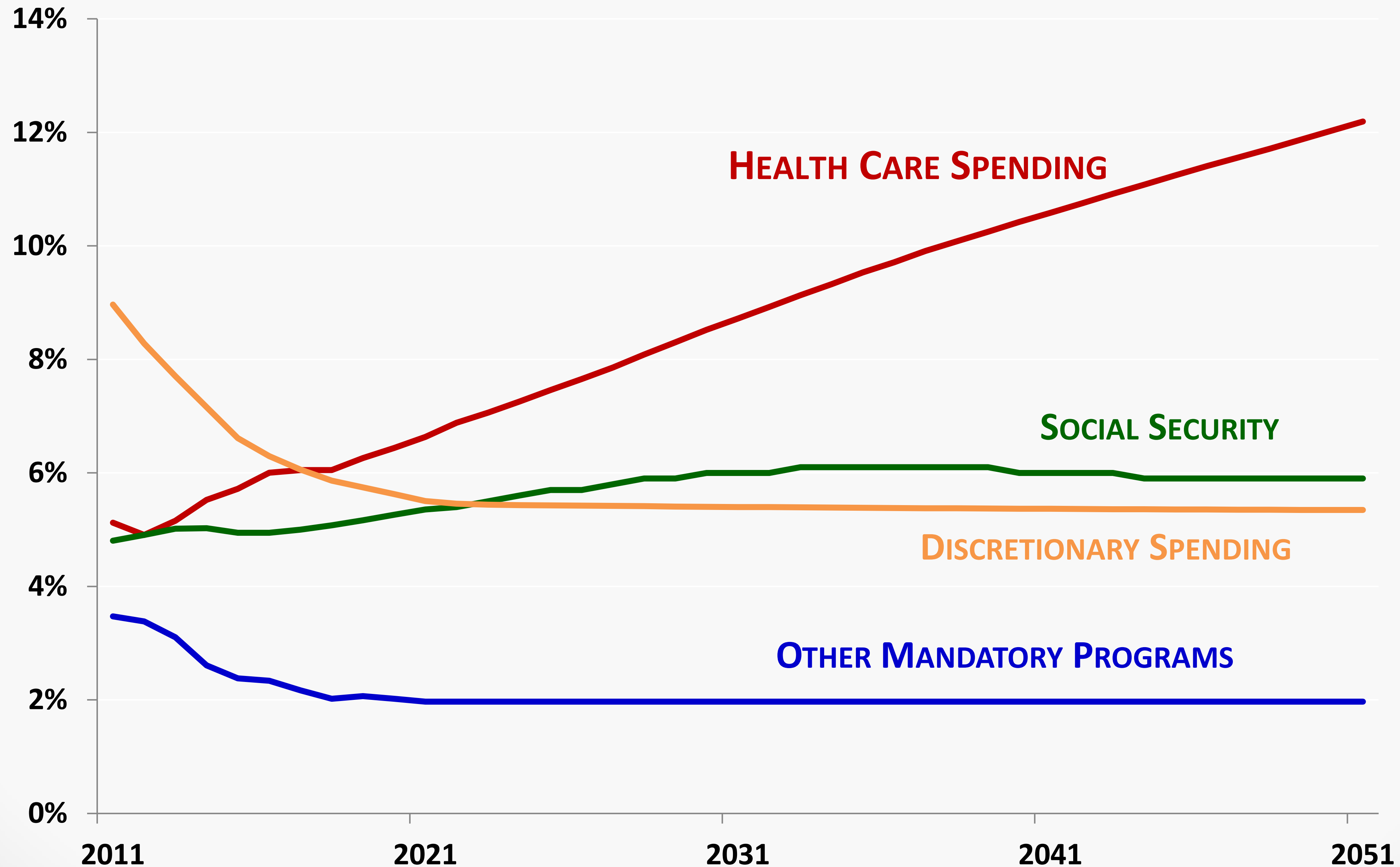


SOURCE: GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICE

FIGURE 4

HEALTH CARE COSTS ARE THE PRIMARY DRIVER OF THE DEBT

(GOVERNMENT SPENDING AS A SHARE OF ECONOMY)

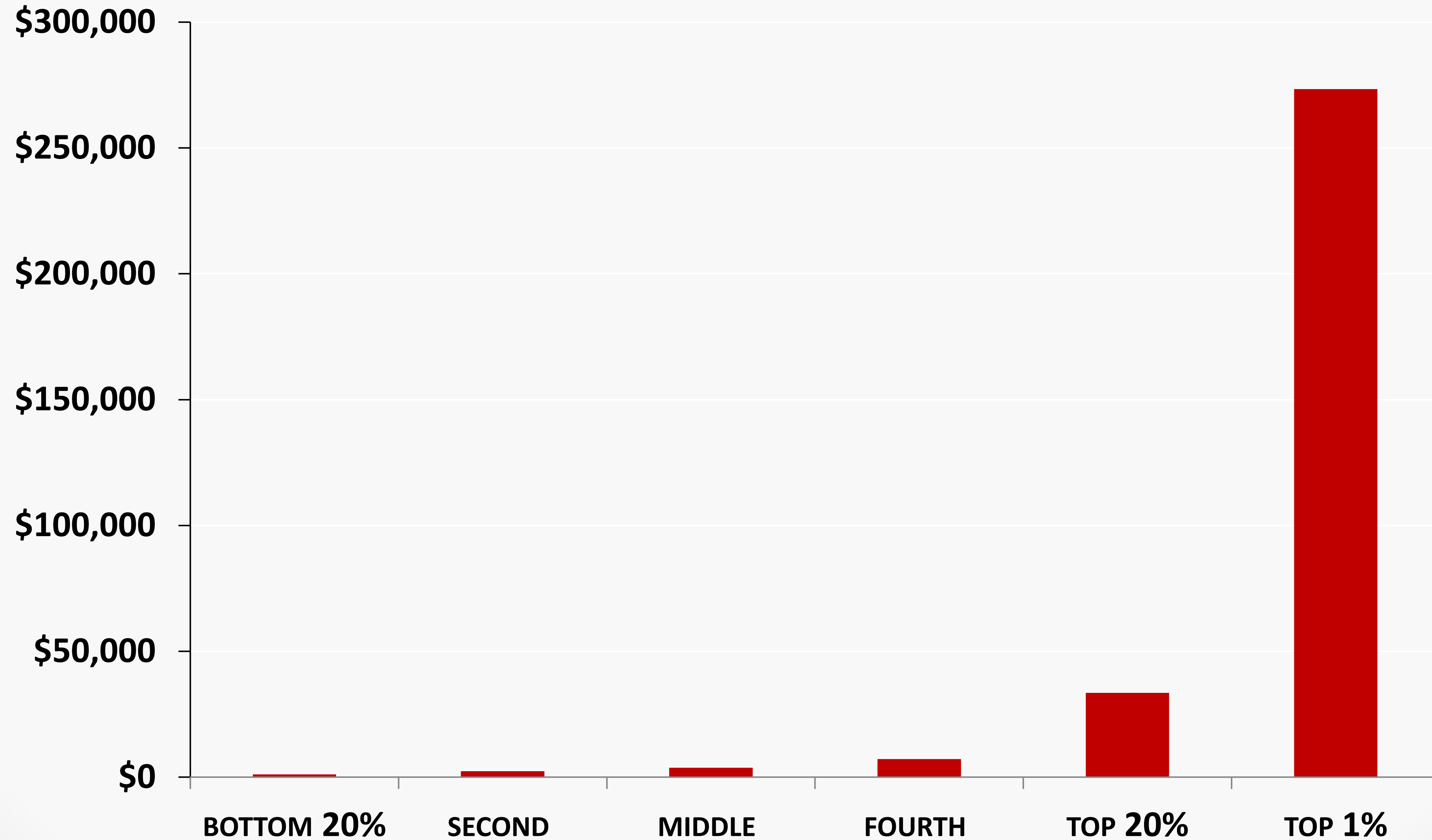


SOURCE: CBO

FIGURE 5

WHO BENEFITS FROM TAX LOOPHOLES

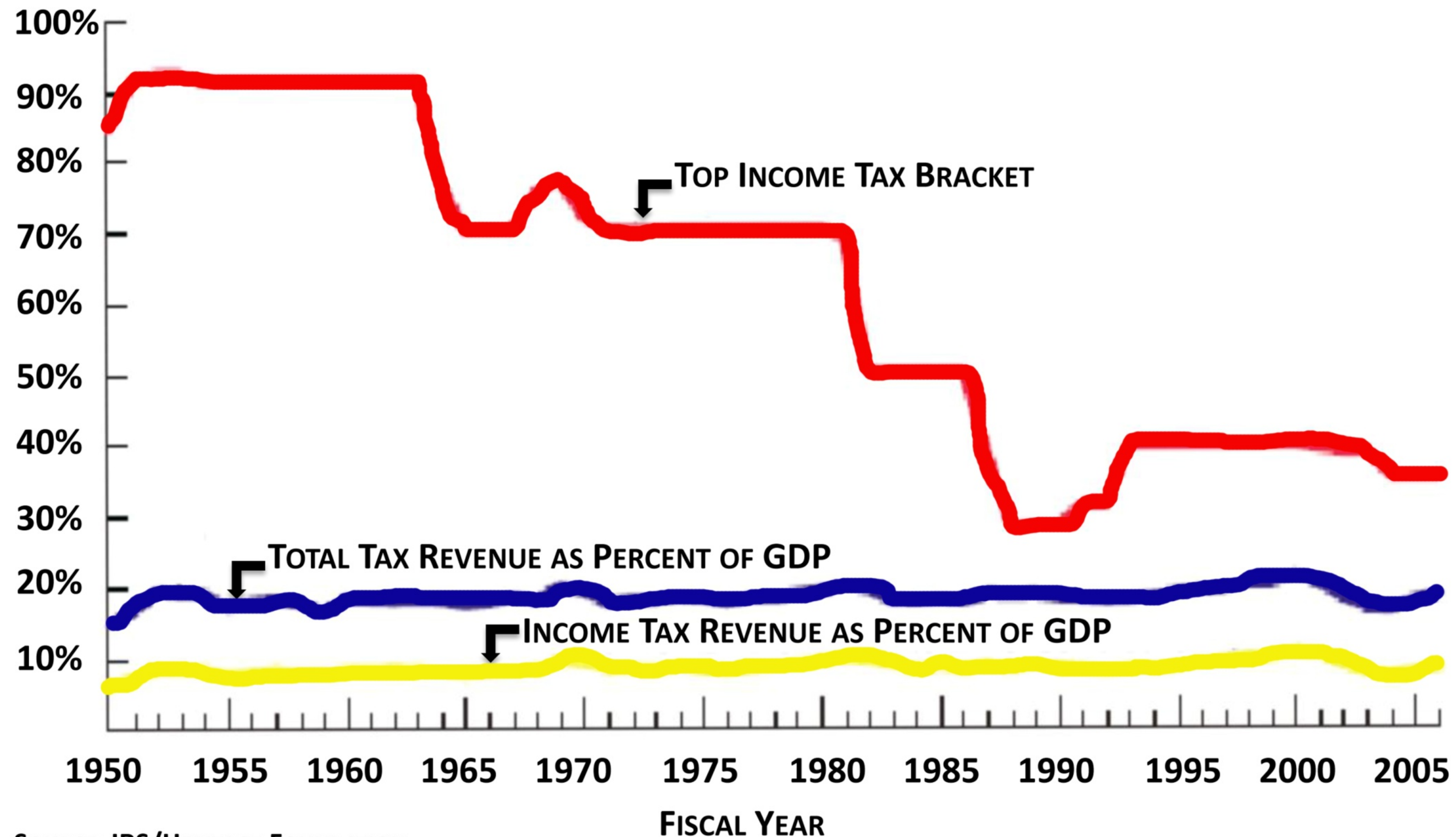
AVERAGE PER PERSON BENEFIT BY CATEGORY OF EARNERS



SOURCE: IRS/TAX POLICY CENTER

FIGURE 6

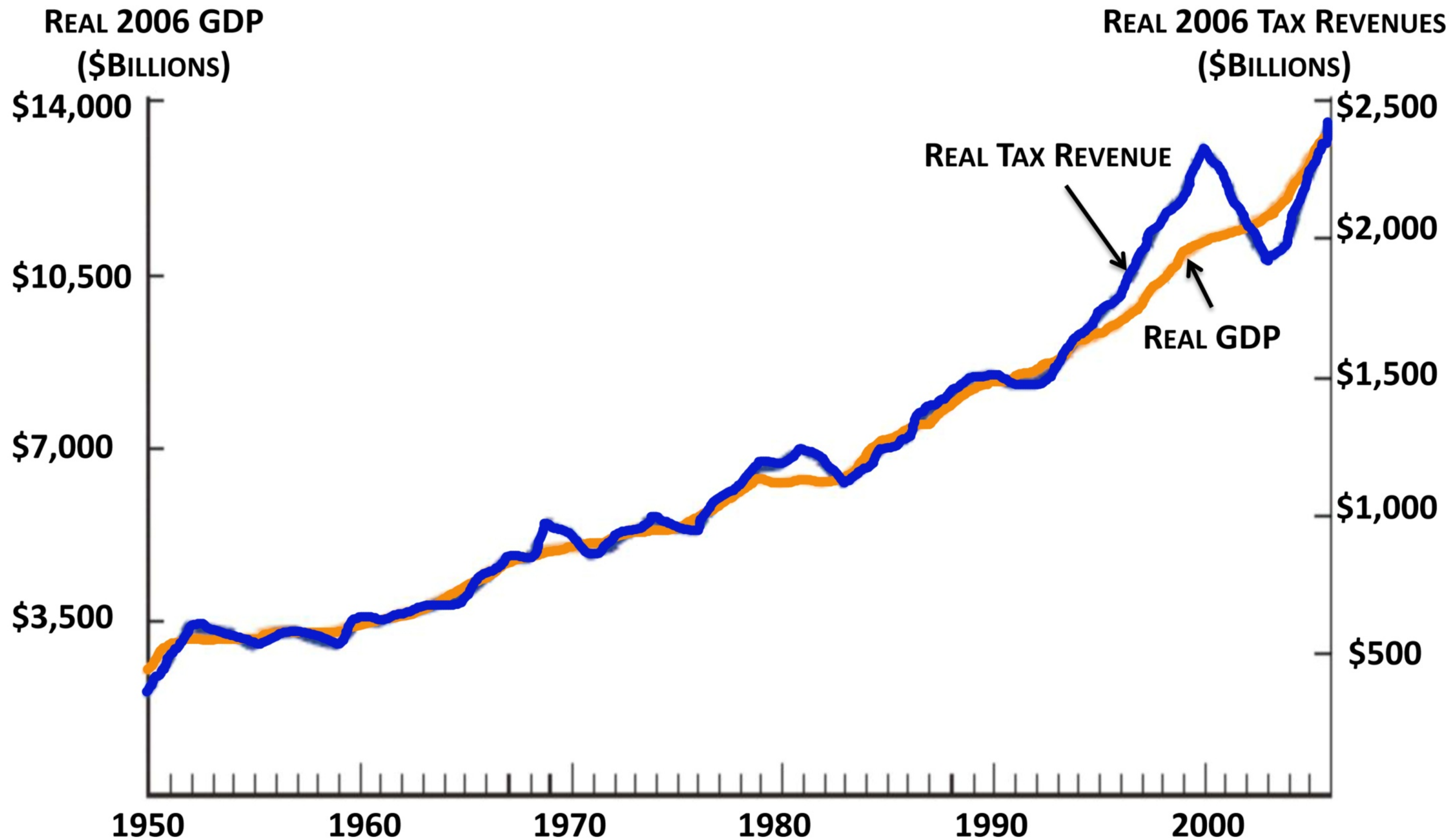
TAX REVENUES DO NOT CORRELATE WELL WITH TAX RATES



SOURCE: IRS/HERITAGE FOUNDATION

FIGURE 7

TAX REVENUES ARE HIGHLY CORRELATED WITH GDP

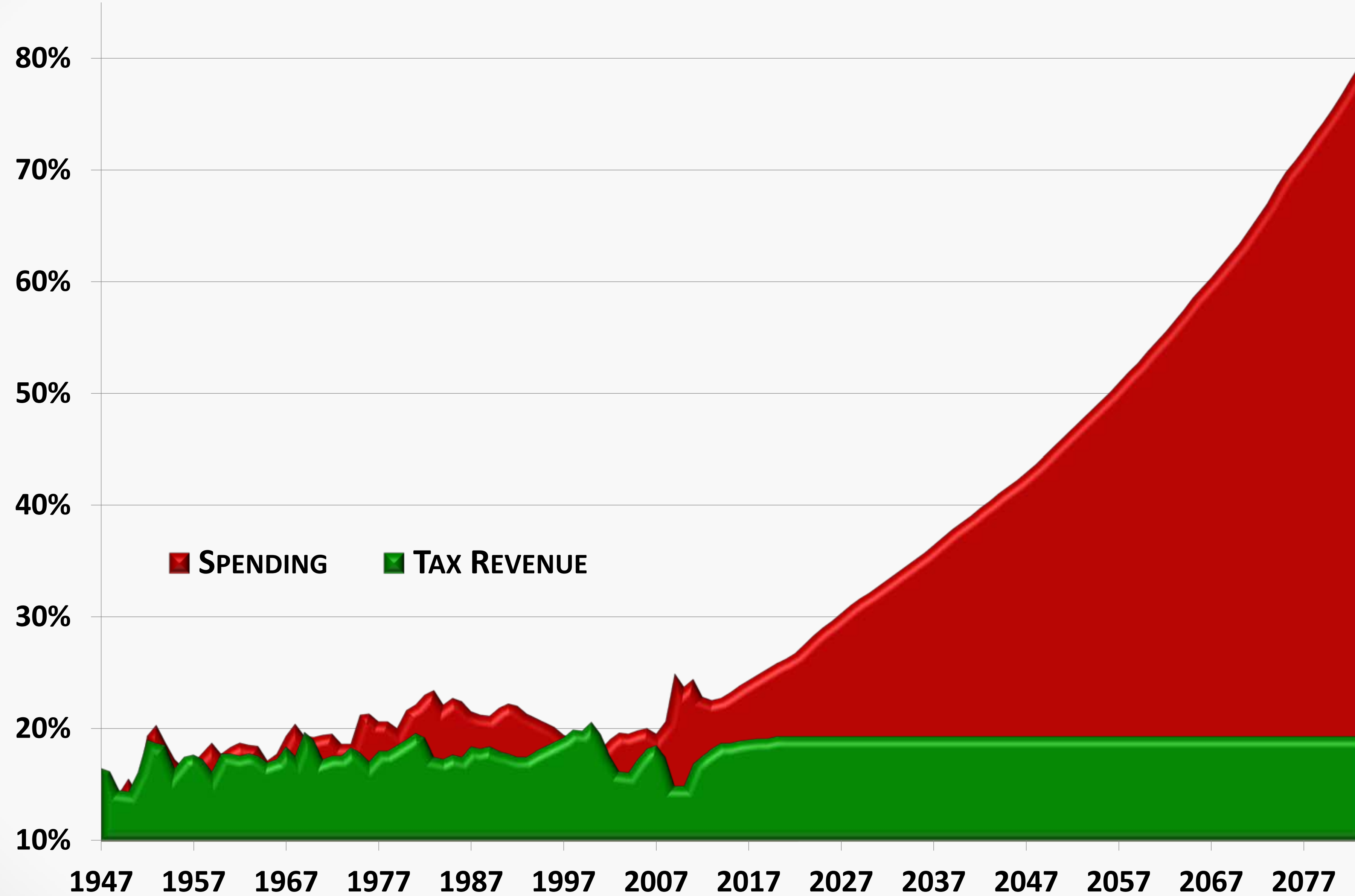


SOURCE: IRS/HERITAGE FOUNDATION

FIGURE 8

WE ARE IN A SPENDING-DRIVEN DEBT CRISIS

(AS A SHARE OF ECONOMY)

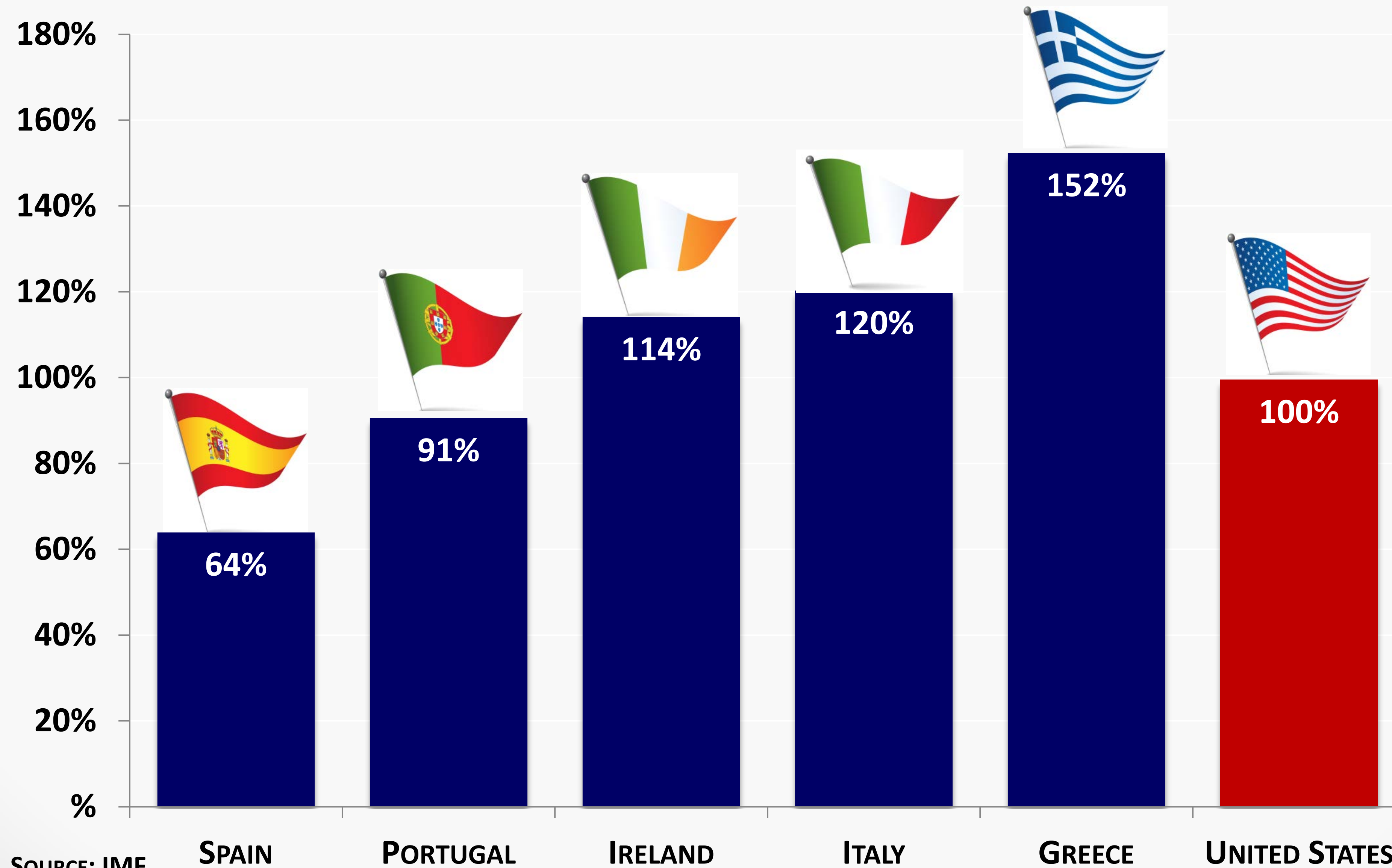


SOURCE: OMB/CBO

FIGURE 9

TROUBLE AHEAD - EUROPE

(GOVERNMENT DEBT AS A SHARE OF ECONOMY - 2011)



SOURCE: IMF

FIGURE 10

WHO OWNS OUR DEBT?

(DEBT HELD BY PUBLIC, 1970 -2011)

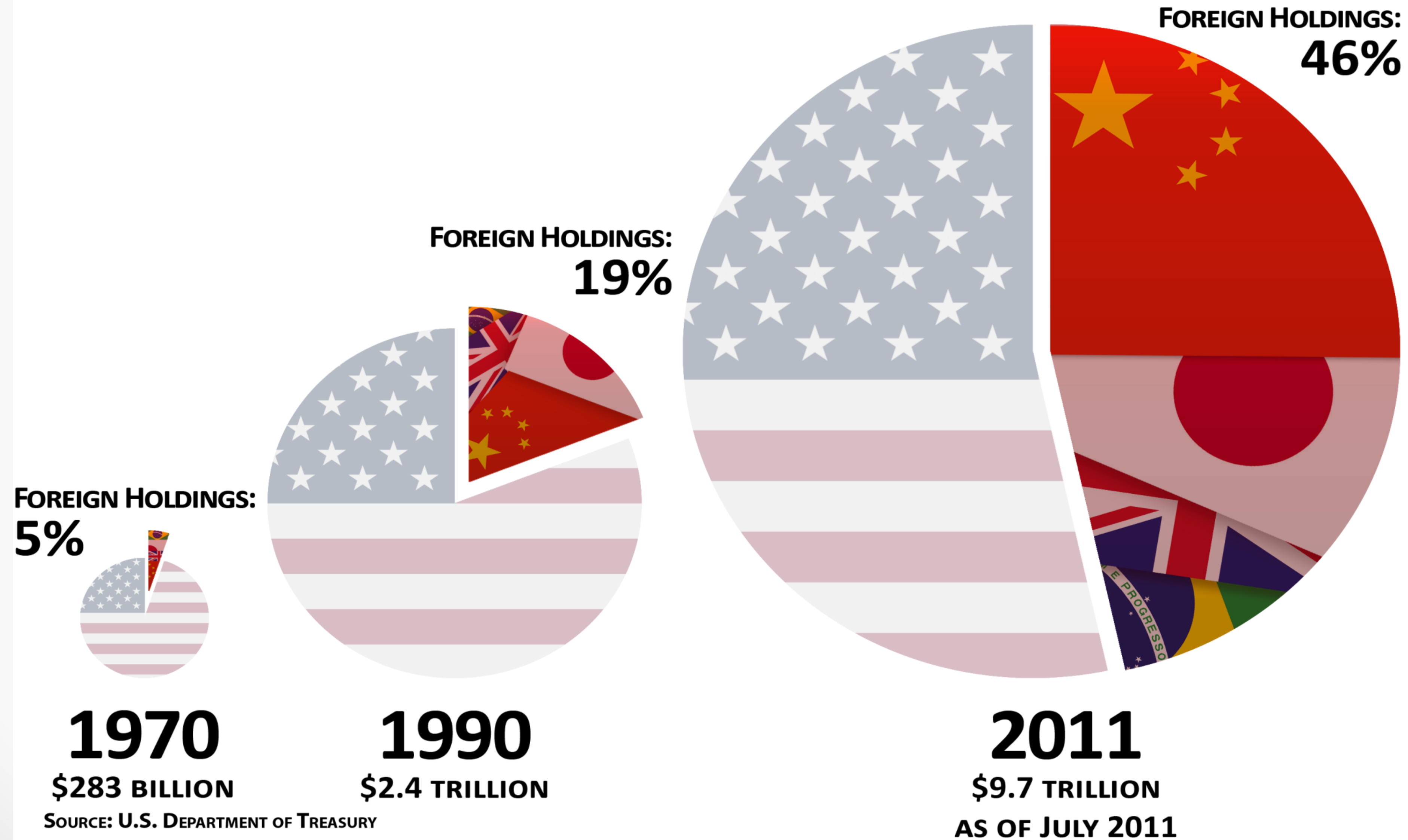
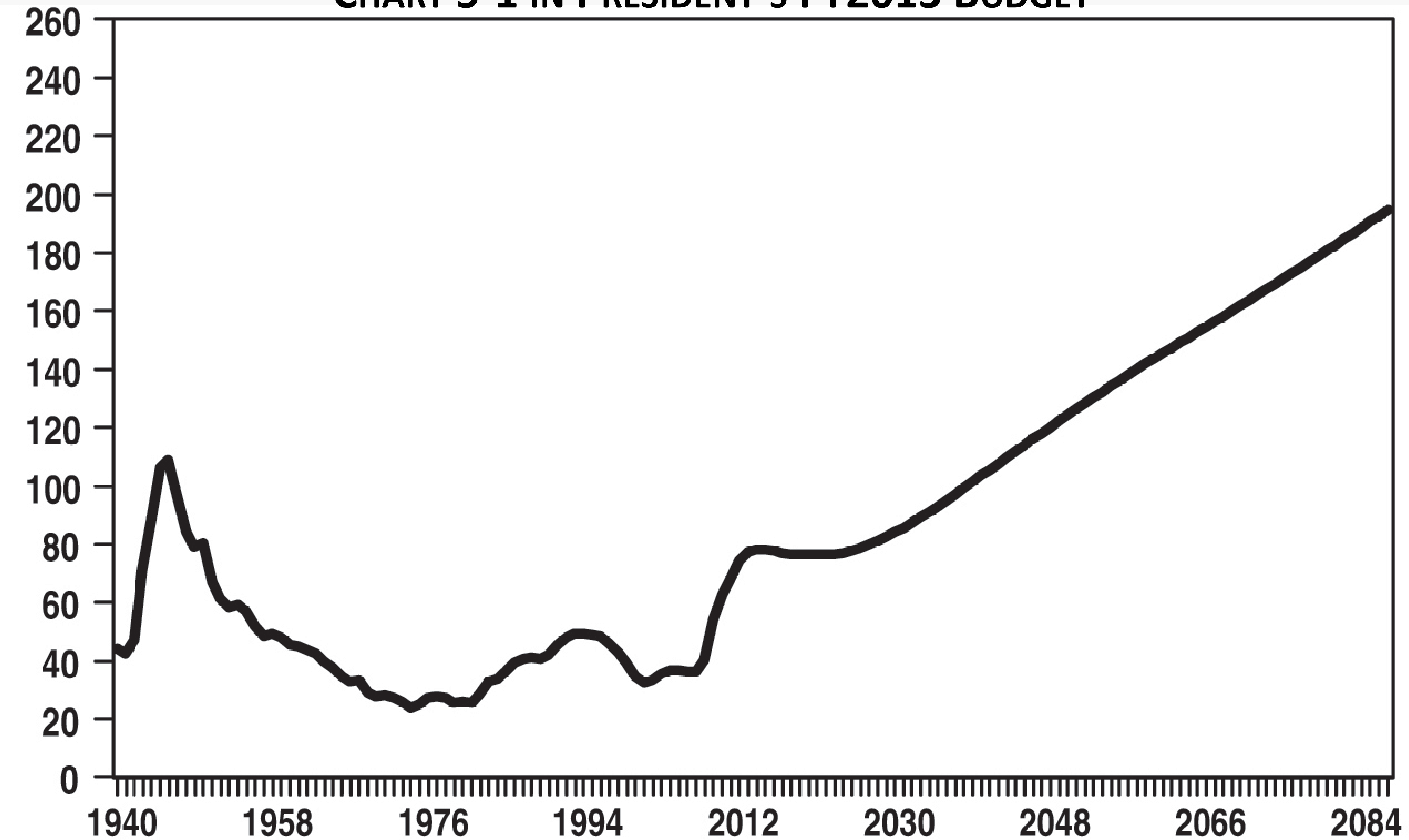


FIGURE 11

DEBT HELD BY PUBLIC

(AS A SHARE OF ECONOMY)

CHART 5-1 IN PRESIDENT'S FY2013 BUDGET

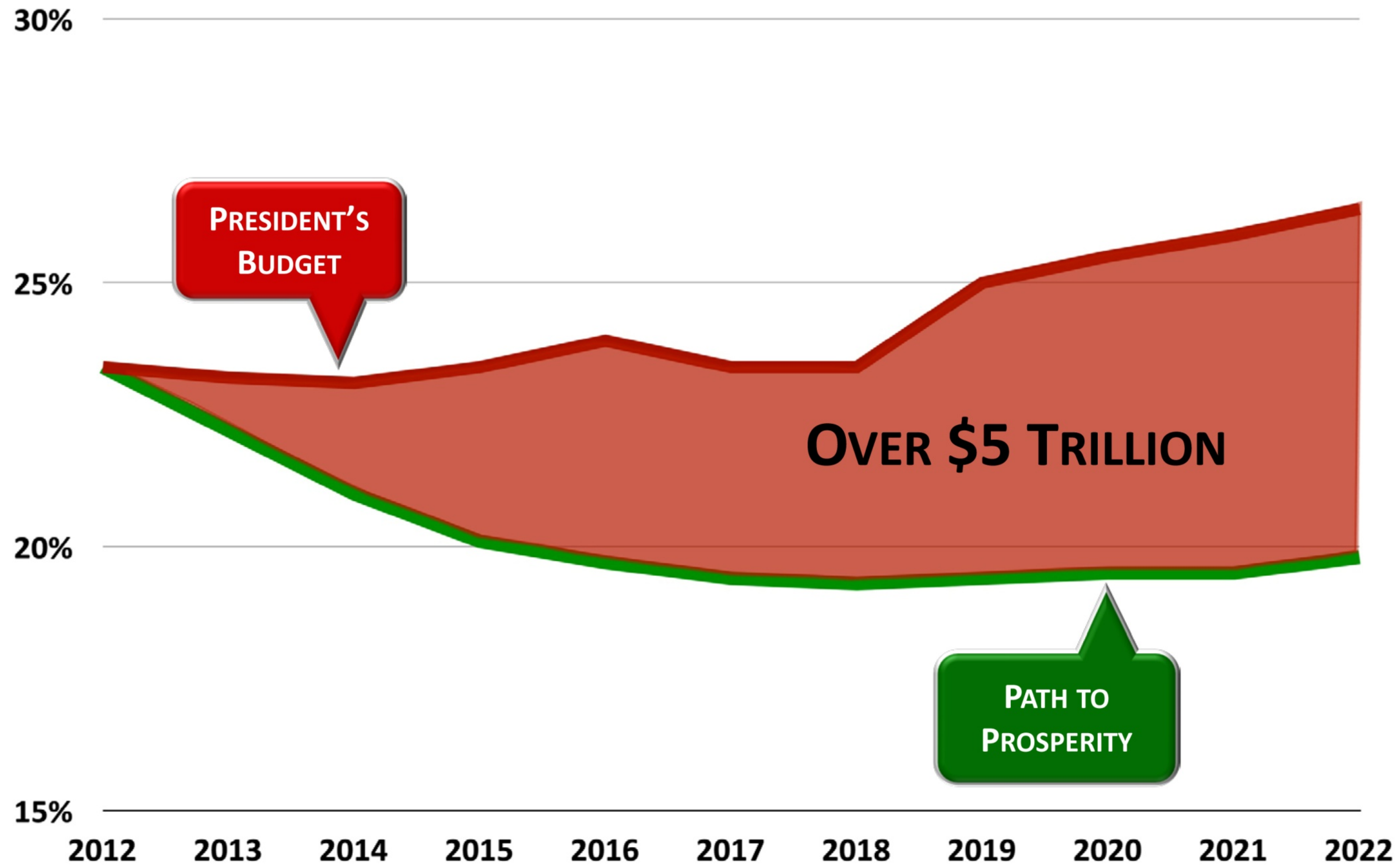


SOURCE: OMB

FIGURE 12

GOVERNMENT SPENDING

(AS A SHARE OF ECONOMY)

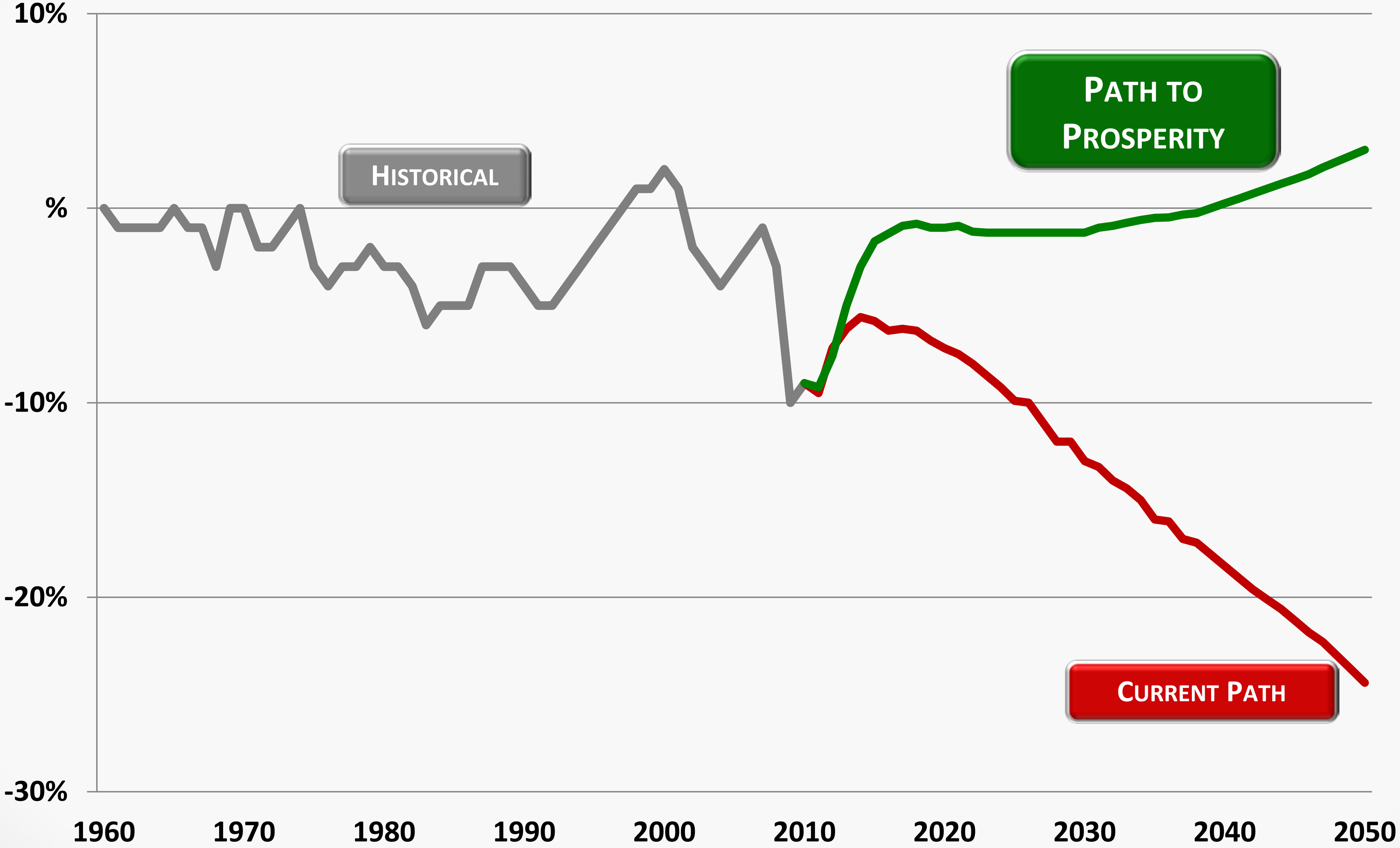


SOURCE: CBO/HBC

FIGURE 13

FEDERAL DEFICIT OR SURPLUS

(AS A SHARE OF ECONOMY)

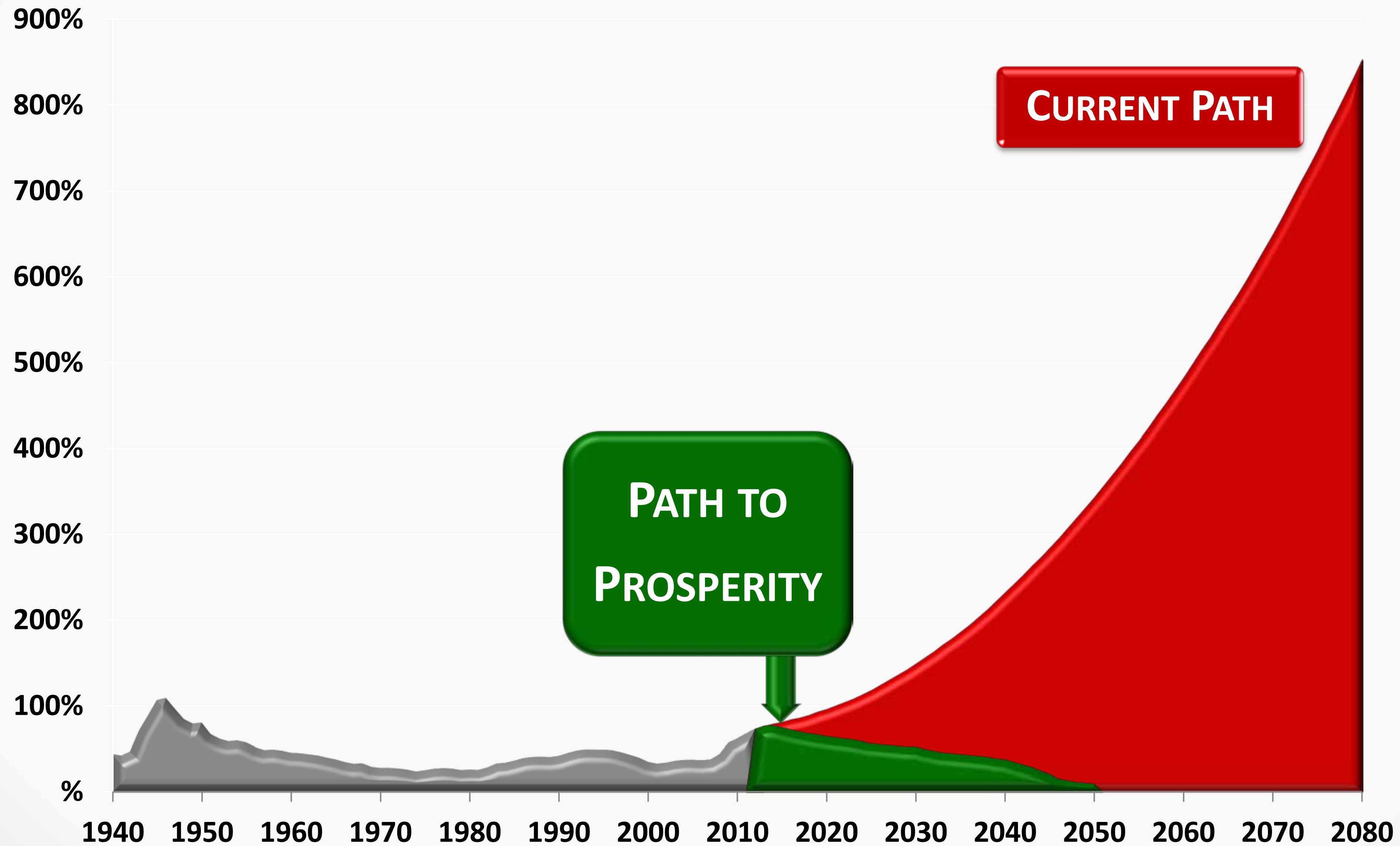


SOURCE: OMB/CBO

FIGURE 14

A CHOICE OF TWO FUTURES

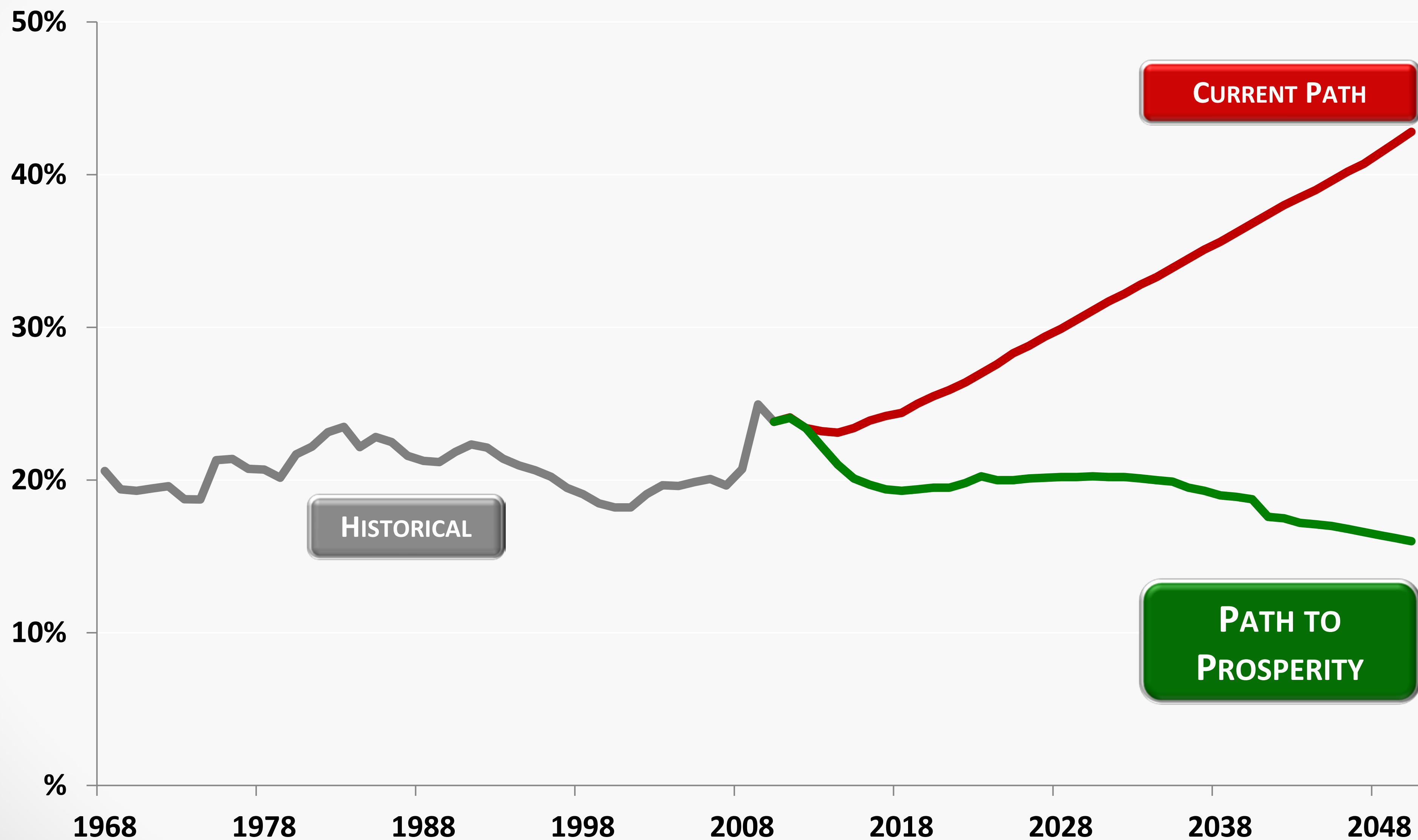
(DEBT AS A SHARE OF ECONOMY)



SOURCE: OMB/CBO

FIGURE 15

TOTAL GOVERNMENT SPENDING (AS A SHARE OF ECONOMY)



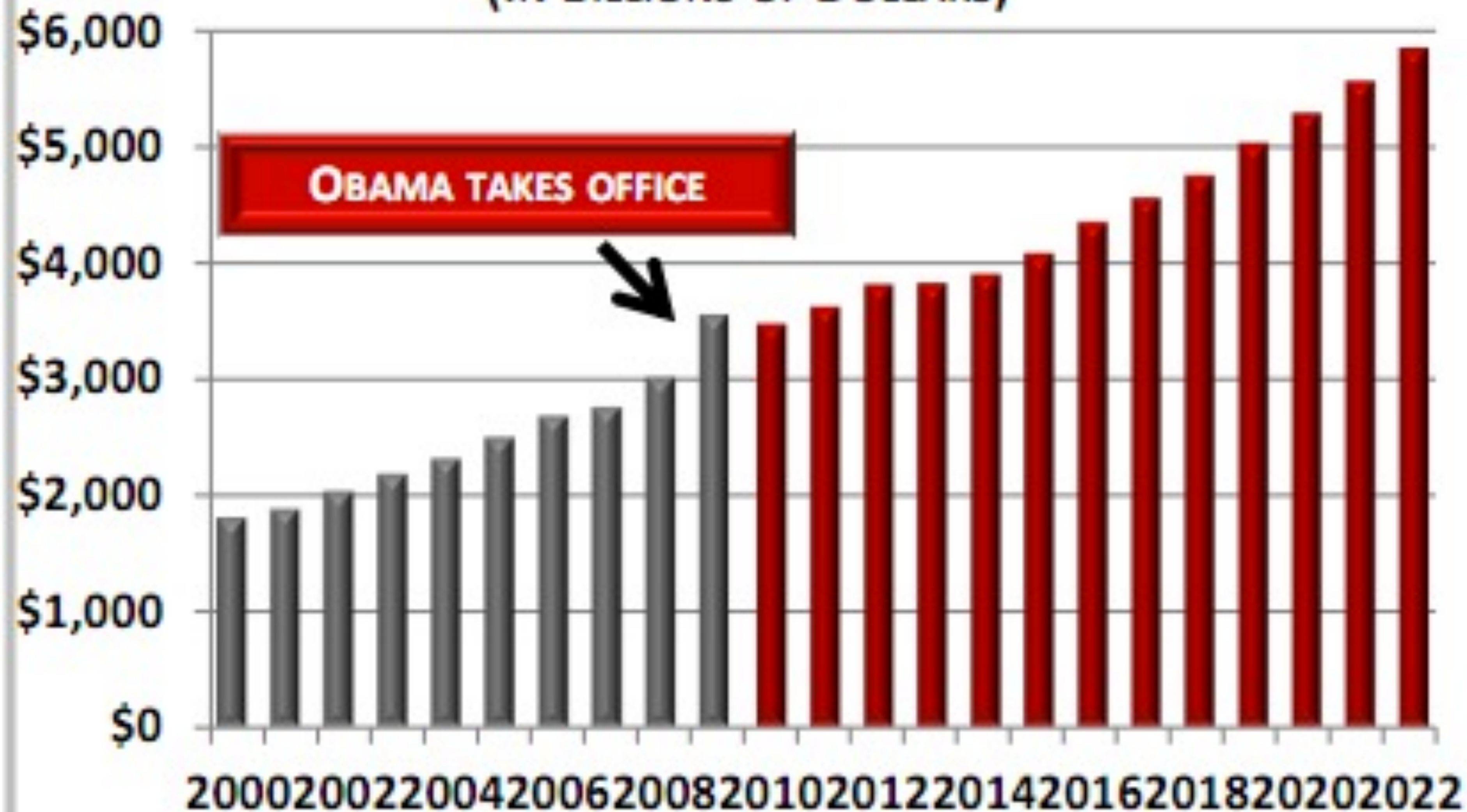
SOURCE: OMB/CBO

With the interest we pay to China on our debt,
China can afford to buy **3 new Joint Strike Fighters
every week** – with \$50 million/week left over.



FIGURE 1

SPENDING SPREE CONTINUES (IN BILLIONS OF DOLLARS)



SOURCE: OMB

OBAMA FY2013 BUDGET

FIGURE 3

PRESIDENT'S BROKEN PROMISE ON DEFICIT

(IN BILLIONS OF DOLLARS)



SOURCE: OMB

2010

2011

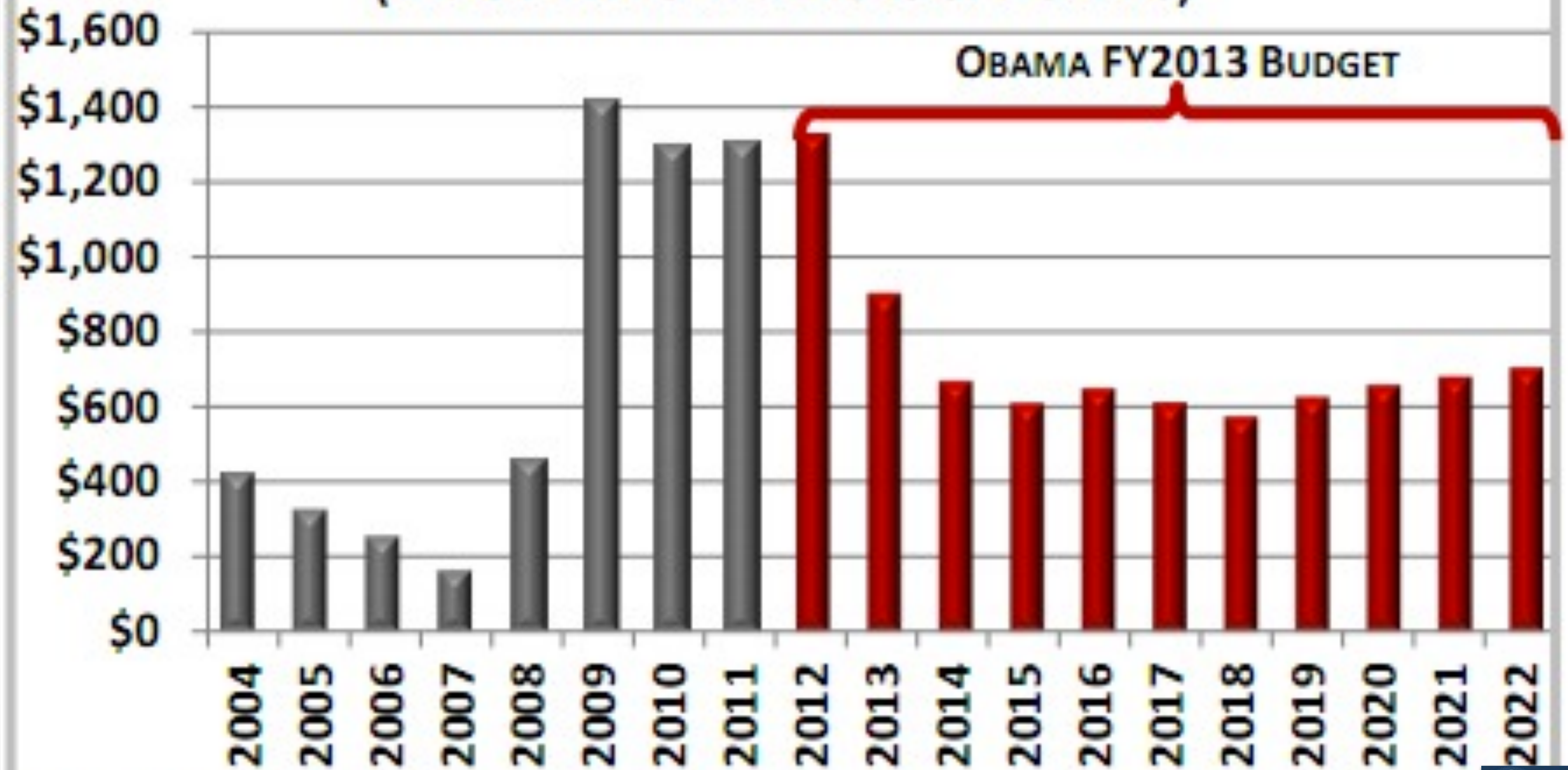
2012

2013

FIGURE 2

DEFICIT UNDER OBAMA BUDGET

(DEFICIT LEVELS IN BILLIONS OF DOLLARS)

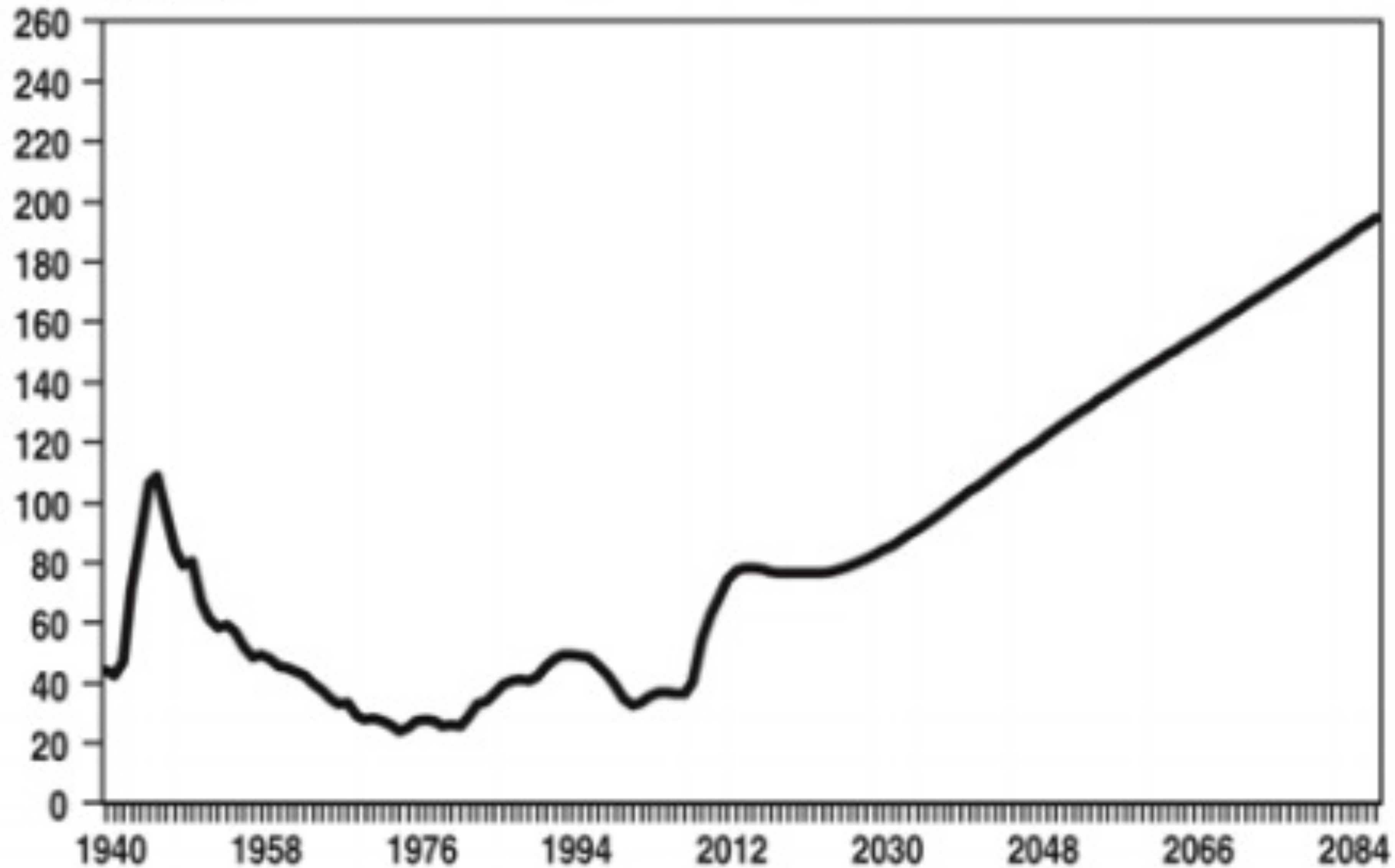


SOURCE: OMB

FIGURE 4

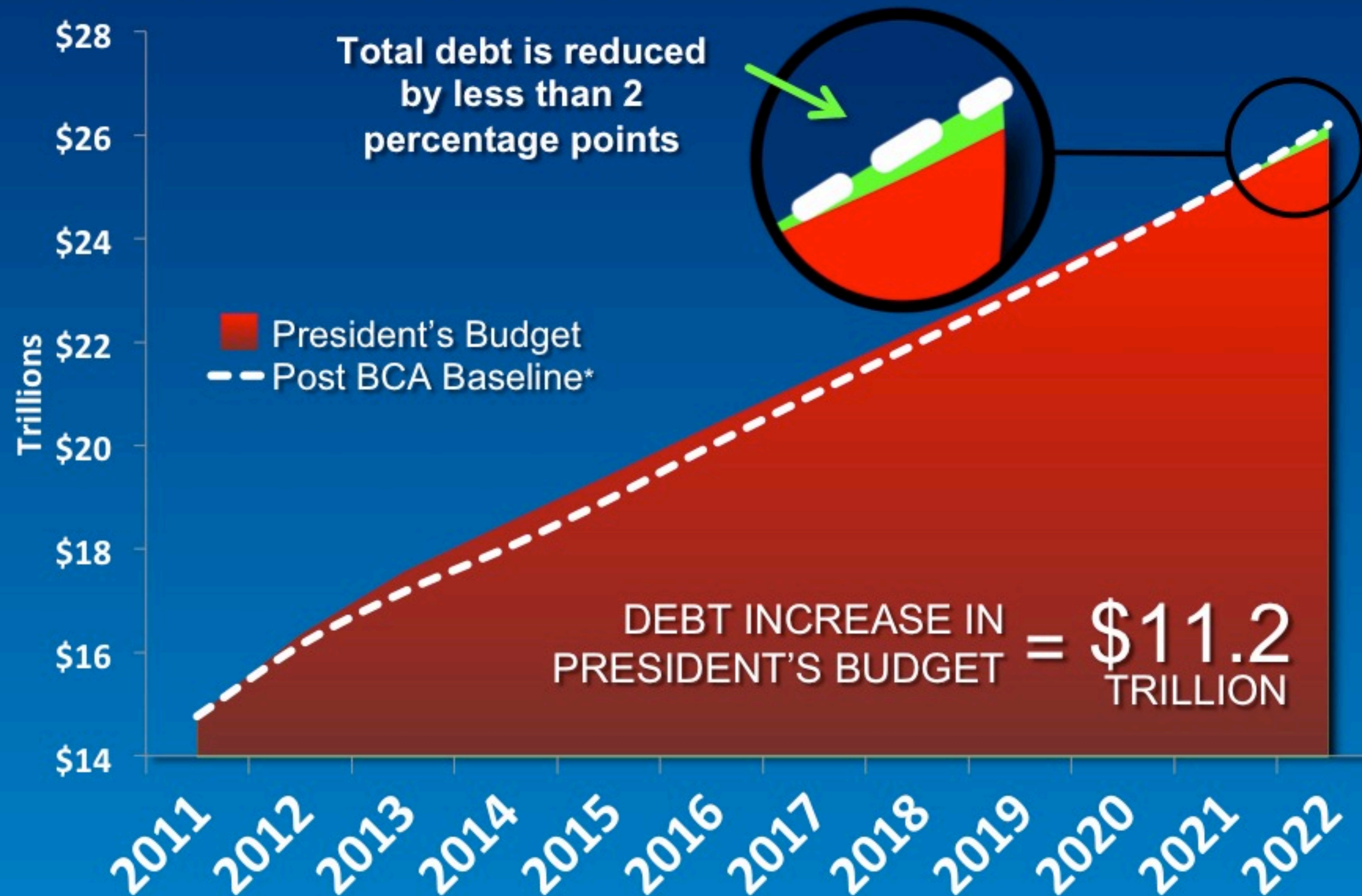
Chart 5-1. Publicly Held Debt Under 2013 Budget Policy Extended

Percent of GDP



Where is the President's \$4 Trillion Savings?

Gross Debt Increases to \$26 Trillion, Matching Current Policy*

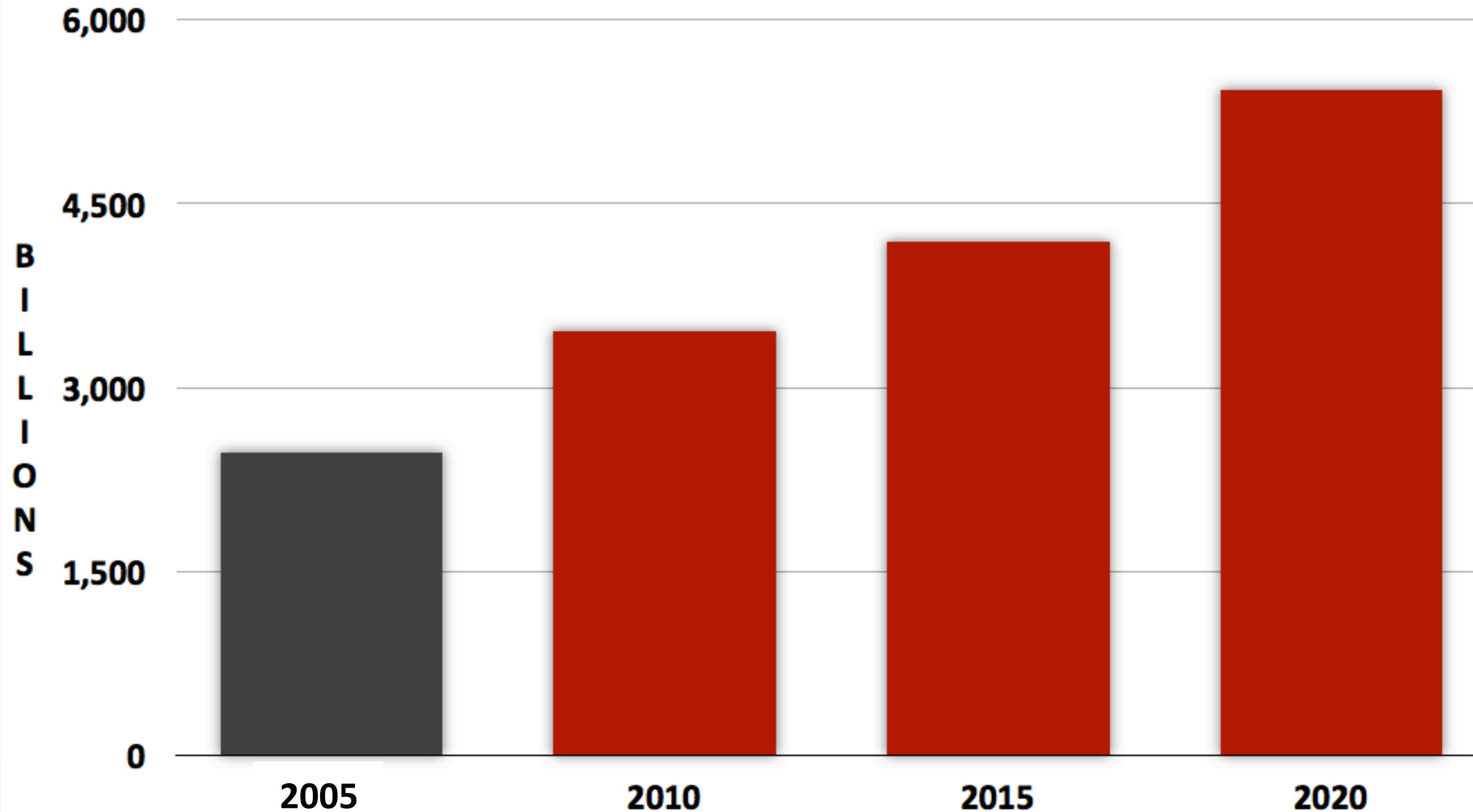


SOURCE: HBC and SBC Republican Staff, CBO, OMB

* OMB Adjusted Baseline, excluding physician payment freeze & OCO savings

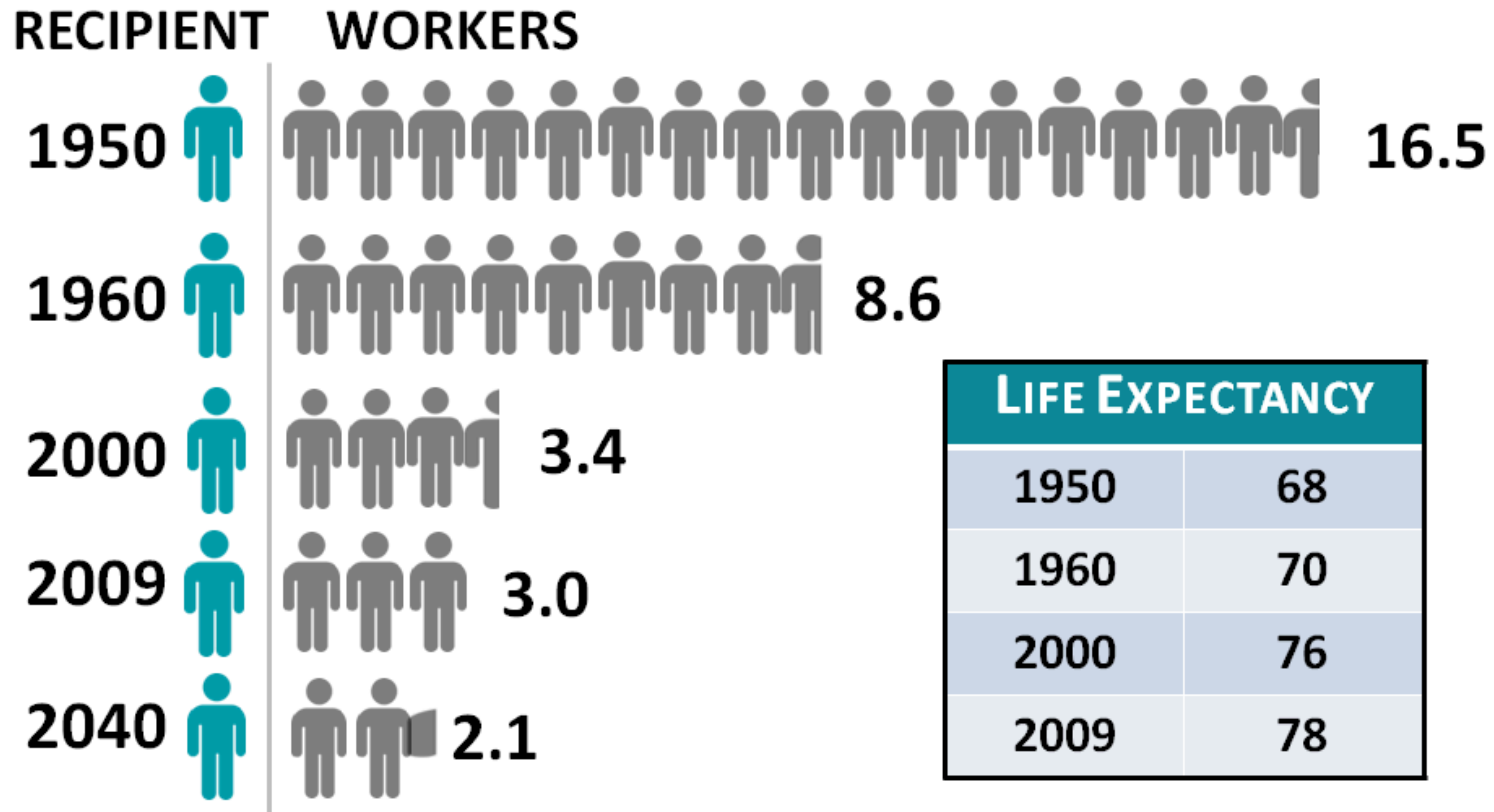
RECKLESS SPENDING SPREE

GOVERNMENT SPENDING IN BILLIONS OF DOLLARS, UNDER OBAMA BUDGET



SOURCE: CBO

TAXPAYERS SUPPORTING EACH SOCIAL SECURITY RECIPIENT



SOURCE: SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION, *THE 2010 ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES*;
CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL, *U.S. LIFE TABLES*

Democrat Charges Against The House GOP Budget

- This budget would result in increased premiums for seniors.
- This budget would end guaranteed Medicare coverage and puts seniors at the mercy of the private market.
- This budget will not bend the health care cost curve. It puts the cost of senior's healthcare in the hands of greedy insurance companies.

Democrat Charges Against The House GOP Budget

- This budget would end the federal safety net for these vulnerable populations and place the burden of their care on states or their families.
- Republicans have already cut taxes for the rich and the economy got worse, not better.
- Investments to help the economy grow stronger will be compromised by this budget, a recipe for national decline.

Democrat Charges Against The House GOP Budget

- This budget contains no job creation proposals.
- This budget punishes the middle class and poor people.
- This budget rewards companies that ship jobs overseas.

Democrat Charges Against The House GOP Budget

- This budget would break the pledge made by the Budget Control Act to provide \$1.047 trillion in discretionary spending this year.
- This budget does not address the fiscal crisis in a balanced way with both taxes and spending.
- This budget hurts seniors and individuals with disabilities while helping the very wealthy.

Democrat Charges Against The House GOP Budget

- Millionaires get an additional tax break under this budget.
- This is a political document and we shouldn't play politics with the nation's fiscal future.
- This budget protects subsidies for oil companies and subsidizes the ultra-wealthy.